GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA
Department of Revenue and Forest, Disaster Management, Relief and Rehabilitation, Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032
No: DMU/2020/CR. 92/DisM-1, Dated: 24th February, 2021

ORDER

Easing of Restrictions and Phase-wise opening of Lockdown. (MISSION BEGIN AGAIN)

Reference:

1) The Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.
2) The Disaster Management Act, 2005
3) Revenue and Forest. Disaster Management. Relief and Rehabilitation Department Order No. DMU-2020/C.R.92/DMU-I, dated 2nd May 2020, 3rd May 2020, 5th May 2020, 11th May 2020, 15th May 2020, 17th May 2020, 19th May 2020, 21st May 2020, 31 May 2020, 4th June 2020, 25th June 2020, 29th June 2020, 6th July 2020, 7th July 2020, 29th July 2020, 4th August 2020, 19th August 2020, 31st August 2020, 30th September, 2020 and 14th October 2020, 23rd October, 2020, 29th October, 2020, 3rd November, 2020, 14th November, 2020, 23rd November, 2020, 27th November, 2020, 27th November, 2020, 21st December, 2020, 24th December, 2020, 29th December, 2020, 14th January, 2021, 19th January, 2021, 29th January, 2021.
4) Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Order No. 40-3/2020-PM-1 (A) Dated 1st May 2020, 11th May 2020, 17th May 2020, 20th May 2020, 30th May 2020, 29th June 2020, 29th July 2020, 29th August 2020, 30th September 2020 and 27th October 2020, 25th November, 2020, 28th December, 2020 and 27th January, 2021

Whereas, in exercise of the powers, conferred under the Disaster Management Act 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee has issued an Order dated 30th September, 2020 and 14th October, 2020 (extended by order dated 29th October, 2020, 27th November, 2020, 29th December, 2020 and 29th January, 2021) for containment of COVID 19 in the State for the period upto 28th February, 2021 and issued revised guidelines by including certain activities from time to time vide above mentioned orders.

Whereas the State Government is satisfied that the State of Maharashtra is threatened with the spread of COVID-19 virus, and therefore to take certain emergency measures to prevent and contain the spread of virus, the Government in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 2 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, read with all other enabling provisions

of The Disaster Management Act, 2005, it is expedient to extend the lockdown in the entire State of Maharashtra further till 31st March, 2021.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 2 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and the powers, conferred under The Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee, hereby issues directions that the guidelines issued vide orders dated 30th September, 2020 and 14th October, 2020 (extended by order dated 29th October, 2020, 27th November, 2020, 29th December, 2020 and 29th January, 2021) to operationalize MISSION BEGIN AGAIN for easing of restrictions and phase-wise opening, will remain in force till 31st March, 2021 for containment of COVID-19 epidemic in the State and all Departments of Government of Maharashtra shall strictly implement these guidelines. The activities already allowed and permitted from time to time shall be continued and all earlier orders shall be aligned with this order and shall remain in force up to 31st March, 2021.

BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF MAHARASHTRA

(SANJAY KUMAR)
CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Copy to :

1. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra, Mumbai.
2. Hon'ble Chairman, Maharashtra Legislative Council.
3. Hon'ble Speaker, Maharashtra Legislative Assembly.
4. Additional Chief Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra.
5. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra,
6. Secretary to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra,
7. Private Secretary to Leader of Opposition, Legislative Council / Assembly,
8. Private Secretaries of All Hon'ble Minister/Minister of State, Mantralaya,
9. All Additional Chief Secretaries / Principal Secretaries / Secretaries of Government of Maharashtra.
10. Director General of Police, Maharashtra State, Mumbai,
11. Principal Secretary, Public Health Department, Mantralaya,
12. Secretary, Medical Education, Mantralaya,
13. All Divisional Commissioners in the State
14. All Commissioners of Police in the State
15. All Commissioners of Municipal Corporations in the State
16. All District Collectors
17. All Chief Executive Officers, Zilla Parishad
18. All District Superintendents of Police in the State

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National Directives for COVID-19 Management

1) **Face coverings** – wearing of face cover is compulsory in public places, in work places and during transport.
2) **Social distancing** – Individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet *(2 Gaz Ki doori*) in public places.

   Shops will ensure physical distancing among customers and will not allow more than five persons at one time.
3) **Spitting in public places** will be punishable with fine, as may be prescribed by the concerned authority in accordance with its laws, rules or regulations.
4) **Consumption of liquor, Paan, gutka, tobacco, etc** in public places is prohibited.

Additional directives for work places.

5) **Work from Home (WFH)** – as far as possible the practice of WFH should be followed. Staggering of work / business hours will be followed in offices, workplaces, shops, markets and industrial & commercial establishments.
6) **Screening and Hygiene** – provision for thermal screening, hand wash and sanitizer will be made available at all entry and exit points and common areas.
7) **Frequent sanitization** of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact e.g. door handles etc. will be ensured, including between shifts.
8) **Social Distancing** – all persons in charge of workplaces will ensure adequate distance between workers, adequate gaps between shifts, staggering the lunch breaks of staff etc.

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1. **Containment Zones** :-
   i. The Containment Zones in the State as categorised vide order dated 19th May, 2020 and 21st May, 2020 will remain in force till further orders.
   ii. The directions issued by the Central Government and State Government from time to time to demarcate the Containment Zones and operations therein will be in force till further orders.
   iii. Considering the local conditions, the concerned District Collector and the Commissioners of the Municipal Corporations in the State may enforce certain measures and necessary restrictions in specified local areas on the permitted non-essential activities and the movement of persons to contain the spread of the epidemic only with the prior written approval of Chief Secretary, Maharashtra.

2. All essential shops which are allowed to remain open before this order, shall continue to do so.

3. The activities already allowed and permitted from time to time shall be continued and all earlier orders shall be aligned with this order and shall remain in force up to 30th November, 2020.

4. **The following activities will be permitted outside the Containment Zones**:-

In areas outside the Containment Zones, all activities will be permitted, except the following:

i. International Air travel of passengers, except as permitted by MHA.

ii. Schools, colleges, educational and coaching institutions will continue to remain closed for students and regular class activity up to 30th November, 2020. Online / distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.

iii. Social /political/ Sports/ entertainment/ academic/ cultural/ religious functions and other large congregations with a ceiling of 200 persons, will be permitted with effect from 5th November, 2020, with mandatory wearing of face masks, social distancing, provision for thermal scanning and hand wash or sanitizers outside of containment zones only. No rallies will be allowed.

In closed spaces, a maximum of 50% of hall capacity with a ceiling of 200 persons will be allowed. Wearing of face masks, maintaining of social distancing, provision for thermal screening and use of hand wash or sanitizer will be mandatory. SOP for the same will be issued separately by the concerned local authorities/ Home Department.

iv. Religious places and places of worship for public will be allowed to open with effect from 5th November, 2020 as per the timings decided by the trust / board/ authority of the respective religious places. The SOP for the same will be issued by the concerned local authorities in consultation with the relevant stakeholders taking into consideration the SOP issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the same.

v. Marriage related gathering with number of guests not exceeding 50 and funeral/last rites related gatherings with number of persons not exceeding 20 will continue to be allowed upto 5th November, 2020, after which the ceiling of 100 persons will apply.

vi. Swimming pools being used for training of sportspersons will be permitted to open with effect from 5th November, 2020. The SOP for the same will be issued by the Sports and Youth Affairs Department. The Sports and Youth Affairs Department will take into consideration the SOP issued by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports for the same.

vii. The Government staff in Group-C and Group-D category to attend the office with 100% strength in the entire State.

viii. Yoga Institutes will be allowed to function with effect from 5th November, 2020.Activities like Zumba, dance, aerobics will be strictly prohibited. The SOP for the same will be issued by the Public Health Department. The Public Health Department will take into consideration the SOP issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the same.

ix. Cinema halls / theatres / multiplexes / drama theatres will be allowed to open with 50% of their seating capacity in areas outside the Containment Zones only, with effect from 5th November, 2020. No eatables will be allowed inside the Cinema halls / theatres / multiplexes / drama theatres. The SOP for the same will be issued by the Cultural Affairs Department and local authorities. The Cultural Affairs Department will take into consideration the SOP issued by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

x. Entertainment / Amusement parks, Tourist places and similar places will be allowed to open with effect from 5th November, 2020. The SOP for the same will be issued by the Tourism Department. The Tourism Department will take into consideration the SOP issued by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

xi. Open air theatres will be permitted to open with effect from 5th November, 2020, with mandatory wearing of face masks, social distancing, provision for thermal scanning and hand wash or sanitizers. Local programmes like Zadipatti and other programmes are allowed. SOP for the same will be issued separately by the concerned local authorities.

xii. Horse Racing activities at the Pune Race Course will be allowed to conduct without any spectators (public) in a closed manner. Also the online betting on its Totalisators will be permitted. The necessary SOP will be issued by the Home Department.

xiii. The offline trainings at various Government Institutes like Yashada, Vanamati, Mitra will be allowed to open in areas outside the Containment Zones only, with effect from 5th November, 2020. The SOP for the same will be issued by the concerned Administrative Department taking into consideration the SOP issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

xiv. Monthly and Annual General Meetings of the Local Bodies like Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils, Zilla Parishads, Panchayat Samities and Gram Panchayats will be allowed. Wearing of face masks, maintaining of social distancing, provision for thermal screening and use of hand wash or sanitizer will be mandatory. SOP for the same will be issued separately by the concerned local authorities/ Home Department.

xv. Since the staggering of the Offices has been allowed and also to avoid the overcrowding during the oncoming festive seasons, shops, malls and markets in MMR region will be allowed to function from 8.00 AM to 11.00 PM.

xvi. Hotels, Restaurants and Bars will be allowed to remain open as per the normal timings allowed by the local authorities.

xvii. Yatras / Jatras will be prohibited in the State till further orders.

xviii. Passenger movement in the Kali-peeli Taxis or Jeeps (Wadap) with necessary permit from RTO will be allowed. Wearing of mask and use of sanitizers shall be compulsory.

5. All international passengers arriving in the State, irrespective of carrying latest RT-PCR Negative Test Report, may be allowed Home Quarantine for fourteen (14) days. The Airport operator to permit Home Quarantine for all passengers after Thermal Screening.

6. Any other allowed and permitted activity by any specific/ general order would continue to operate.

7. **Easing of Restrictions and opening up of the activities which remain prohibited across the State will be done in phased manner along-with Standard Operating Procedures / Guidelines.**

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the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised in this behalf by that Authority or Government, as the case may be; or (b) any person who has given notice of not less than thirty days in the manner prescribed, of the alleged offence and his intention to make a complaint to the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorized as aforesaid.

B. Section 188 in the Indian Penal Code, 1860

188. Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant.—Whoever, knowing that, by an order promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, he is directed to abstain from a certain act, or to take certain order with certain property in his possession or under his management, disobeys such direction, shall, if such disobedience causes or tends to cause obstruction, annoyance or injury, or risk of obstruction, annoyance or injury, to any person lawfully employed, be punished with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or with fine which may extend to two hundred rupees, or with both; and if such disobedience causes or trends to cause danger to human life, health or safety, or causes or tends to cause a riot or affray, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both.

Explanation.—It is not necessary that the offender should intend to produce harm, or contemplate his disobedience as likely to produce harm. It is sufficient that he knows of the order which he disobeys, and that his disobedience produces, or is likely to produce, harm.

Illustration

An order is promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, directing that a religious procession shall not pass down a certain street. A knowingly disobeys the order, and thereby causes danger of riot. A has committed the offence defined in this section.

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